



Docket No.: 057454-0998

PATENT *ZPW*

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Ken TAKACHI : Confirmation Number: 4143
Application No.: 10/781,618 : Group Art Unit: 3767
Filed: February 20, 2004 : Examiner: Benjamin Huh

For: MECHANICAL LOCKING MECHANISM AND INJECTOR HEAD EMPLOYING THE MECHANISM

THIRD STATUS INQUIRY

Mail Stop Status Inquiry
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on February 20, 2004. Since more than three years have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before April 8, 2005 in the above-assigned group art unit should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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